IN THE CLAIMS

1.   (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

    receiving one of a Short Message Service, Enhanced Message Service,

        Multimedia Message service, and SyncML message;

    extracting a device identifier and a subscriber identifier from the message;

    ~~and~~

    applying the device identifier to determine a device status, including

        location information,

    applying the subscriber identifier to identify subscriber services; and

    applying permissions for access to the subscriber services by the

        subscriber according to the device status;

    wherein the location information is one or more of a geographical location

        and a logical location.

2.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

    extracting an International Mobile Equipment Identity from the message.

3.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

    setting network access permissions according to the device status for a

        device corresponding to the device identifier.

4.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

applying the device identifier to a deny database to determine the device

status.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

receiving the message via a Short Message Peer to Peer interface.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, further comprising:

communicating the device status to a customer care facility.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:

extracting at least one of an International Mobile Subscriber Identity and

an Integrated Circuit Card ID from the message.

9. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:

applying the subscriber identifier to locate subscriber information.

10. (Currently Amended) A network element comprising:

logic to ~~cause the processing of~~

process at least one of a Short Message Service, enhanced Message

Service, Multimedia Message Service, and SyncML

message to extract a device identifier from the message,

~~and~~

apply the device identifier to determine a device status, including

location information, wherein the location information is

one or more of a geographical location and a logical

location,

extract a subscriber identifier from the message,

apply the subscriber identifier to identify subscriber services, and

apply permissions to the subscriber services according to the

device status; and

at least one processor to execute at least some of the logic.

11. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

logic to cause the setting of network access permissions for the device

according to the device status.

12. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

logic to cause the extraction of an International Mobile Equipment Identity

from the message.

13. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

logic to cause the applying of the device identifier to a deny database to

determine the device status.

14. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

    logic to cause the receiving of the message via a Short Message Peer to

    Peer interface.

15. (Previously Presented) The network element of claim 25, further comprising:

    logic to cause the communicating of device status to a customer care

    facility.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Original) The network element of claim 16, further comprising:

    subscriber identifier is at least one of International Mobile Subscriber

    Identity and Integrated Circuit Card ID.

18. (Original) The network element of claim 16, further comprising:

    logic to cause the applying of the device identifier to a deny database to

    determine the device status.

19. (Currently Amended) A communication arrangement comprising:

    a Short Message Service Center (SMSC);

    a permissions facility; and

    a network element configured to

receive a Short Message Service message from a device via the

SMSC,

extract a device identifier from the message,

apply the device identifier to locate device status information

including location information,

wherein the location information is one or more of a geographical

location and a logical location,

extract a subscriber identifier from the message,

apply the subscriber identifier to determine subscriber services,

and

interact with the permissions facility to determine permissions to

apply to service requests originating from the device

according to the device status.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) The communication arrangement of claim 26, further

comprising:

the network element further configured to extract an International Mobile

Equipment Identity from the message.

22. (Previously Presented) The communication arrangement of claim 26, further

comprising:

the network element further configured to extract at least one of

International Mobile Subscriber Identity and Integrated Circuit

Card ID from the message.

23. (Previously Presented) The communication arrangement of claim 26, further

comprising:

the network element comprising a deny database, the deny database

comprising device status information.

24. (New) The method in claim 1, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.

25. (New) The method in claim 10, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.

26. (New) The method in claim 19, wherein the logical location is a status of the user.